STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA - BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATION - OFFICE OF RECORDS MANAGEMENT - CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY
THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE MICROPHOTOGRAPHIC IMAGE APPEARING ON THIS SLIDE OF MICROFILM IS AN ACCURATE REPRODUCTION OF THE ORIGINAL RECORD AND WAS MICROFILMED IN THE REGULAR COURSE OF BUSINESS ACCORDING TO THE PROVISIONS OF SOUTH DAKOTA COMPILED LAW 1-27-4. IT IS FURTHER CERTIFIED THAT THE PHOTOGRAPHIC PROCESS USED FOR MICROFILMING OF THE ABOVE RECORDS WAS IN A MANNER AND ON MICROFILM WHICH MEET THE RECOMMENDED REQUIREMENTS OF THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS FOR PERMANENT MICROPHOTOGRAPHIC REPRODUCTIONS.
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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS the Congress of the United States has recognized the third Sunday in May of each year as "I Am An American Day", with the purpose of special recognition for those who have become citizens within the year through naturalization or attainment of their majority; and

WHEREAS the President of the United States has heretofore proclaimed May 20, 1945, as "I Am An American Day"; and

WHEREAS the present war has brought the benefits and responsibilities of citizenship forcibly to the attention of those reaching the age of citizenship in America; has shed new lustre on the name of American citizenship in all the world; and has shown vividly that the strength of America lies in the shoulder to shoulder advance of all its citizens, whatever their ancestry, race, creed or color, and it is fitting that these facts be recognized:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, M. Q. Sharpe, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 20, 1945 as

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in South Dakota, and do urge all patriotic societies and the people generally to cooperate in programs on that day to recognize those who are new citizens and to cause us all to evaluate anew and appreciate more than ever before the privileges of American citizenship.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota to be affixed, this 1st day of May, 1945.

M Q Sharpe
Governor

(Great Seal

ATTEST:

Mrs. L. M. Larsen
Secretary of State